

**Amendments to the Drawings:**

The attached sheets of drawings includes changes to Figs. 14-16. These sheets, which includes Figs. 14-16, replaces the original sheets including Figs. 14-16.

In Figs. 14-16, please change elements 1120, 1134, 1144 and 1154 to read "Performance Monitor Unit."

Attachment: Replacement Sheets  
Annotated Sheets Showing Changes

REMARKS

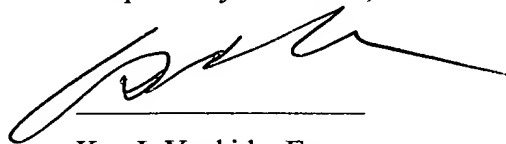
In FIGURES 14, 15 and 16, reference numerals 1124, 1134, 1144, and 1154 are now labeled as "Performance Monitor Unit." Similarly, in claims 16, 17 and 25, "optical line performance monitor unit" has been amended to "performance monitor unit." Lastly, the corresponding portions of the specification with respect to Figs. 14, 15 and 16 have been amended to refer the numerals 1124, 1134, 1144 and 1154 as "performance monitor unit."

Accordingly, the drawing objections and the rejections of claims 16 through 29 should be withdrawn.

Conclusion

In view of the above remarks and attachments, the Applicants respectfully submits that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request a favorable Office Action so indicating.

Respectfully submitted,

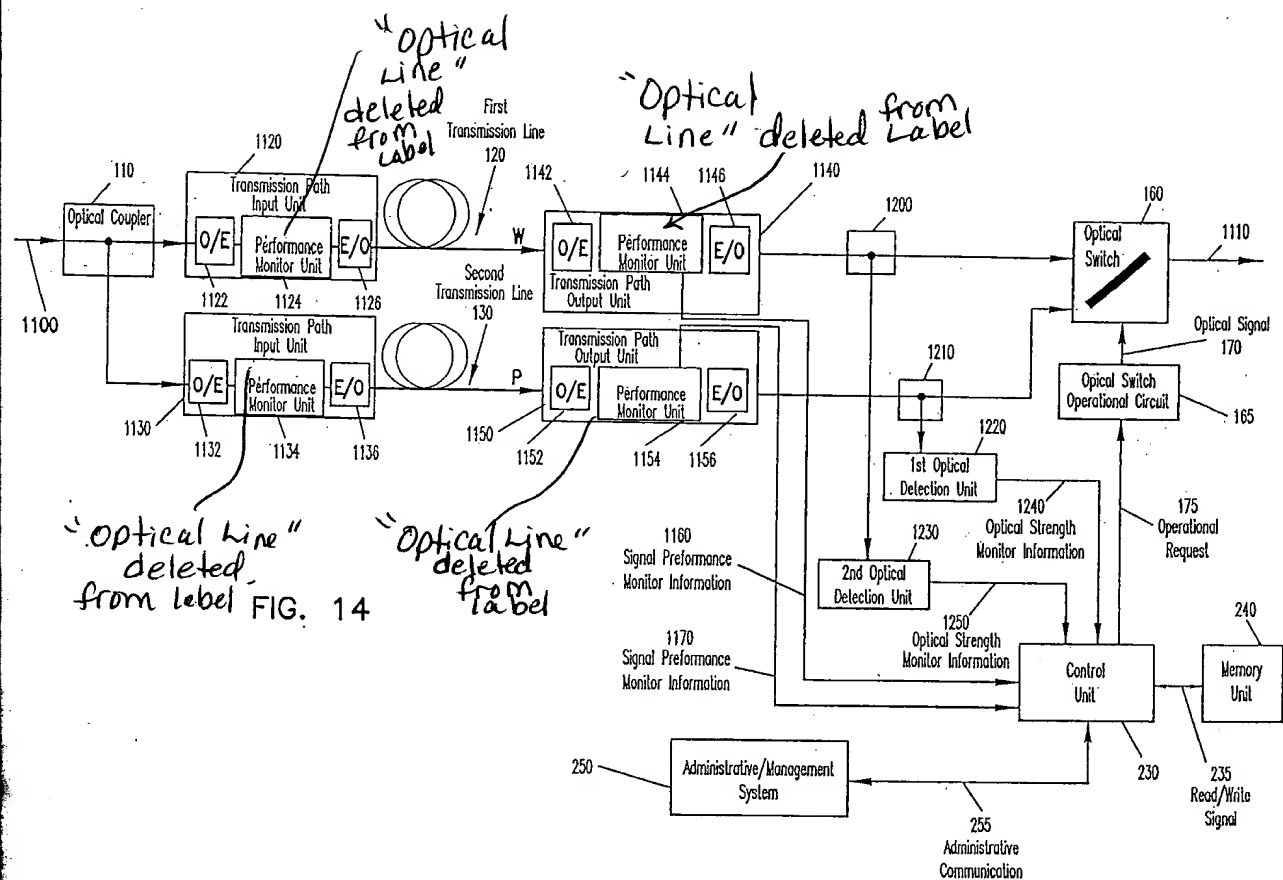


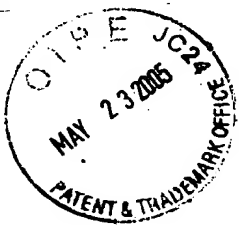
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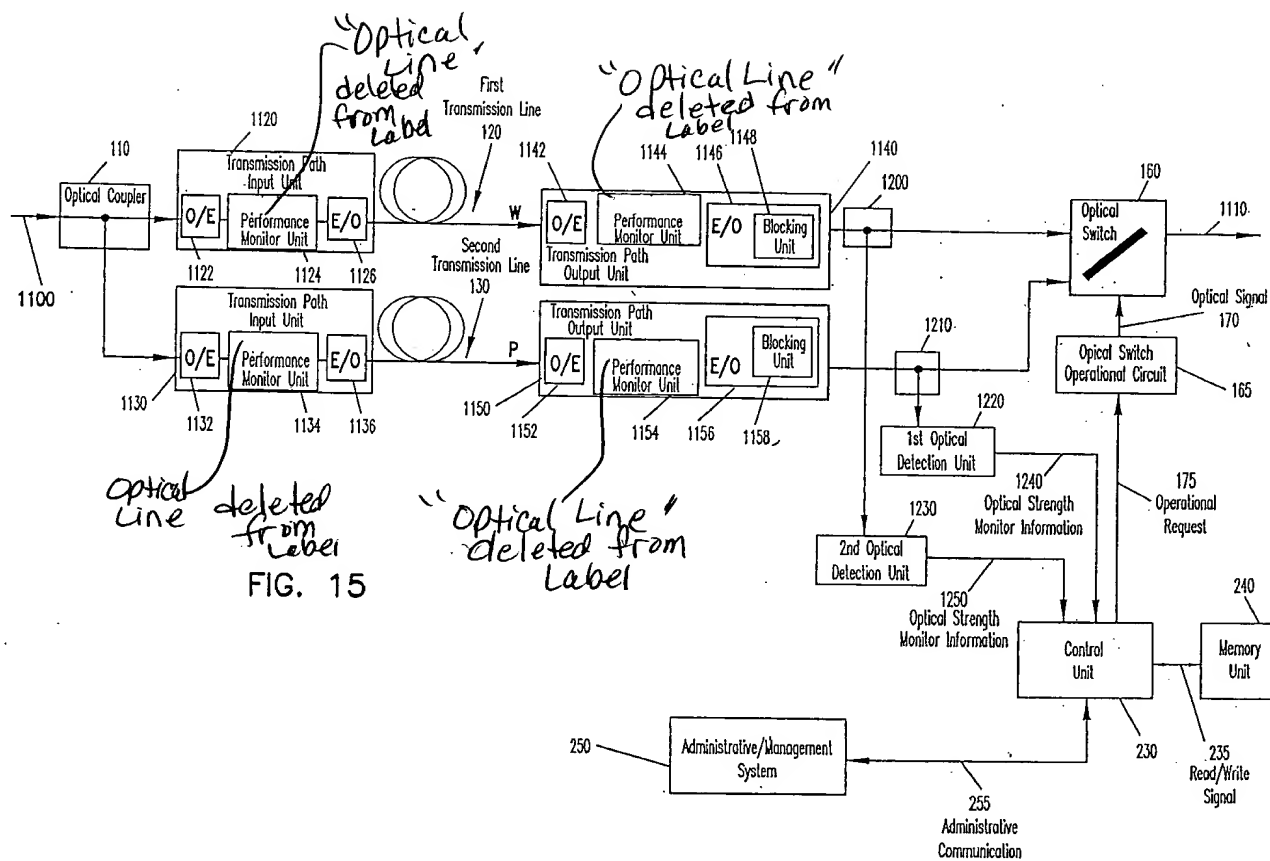
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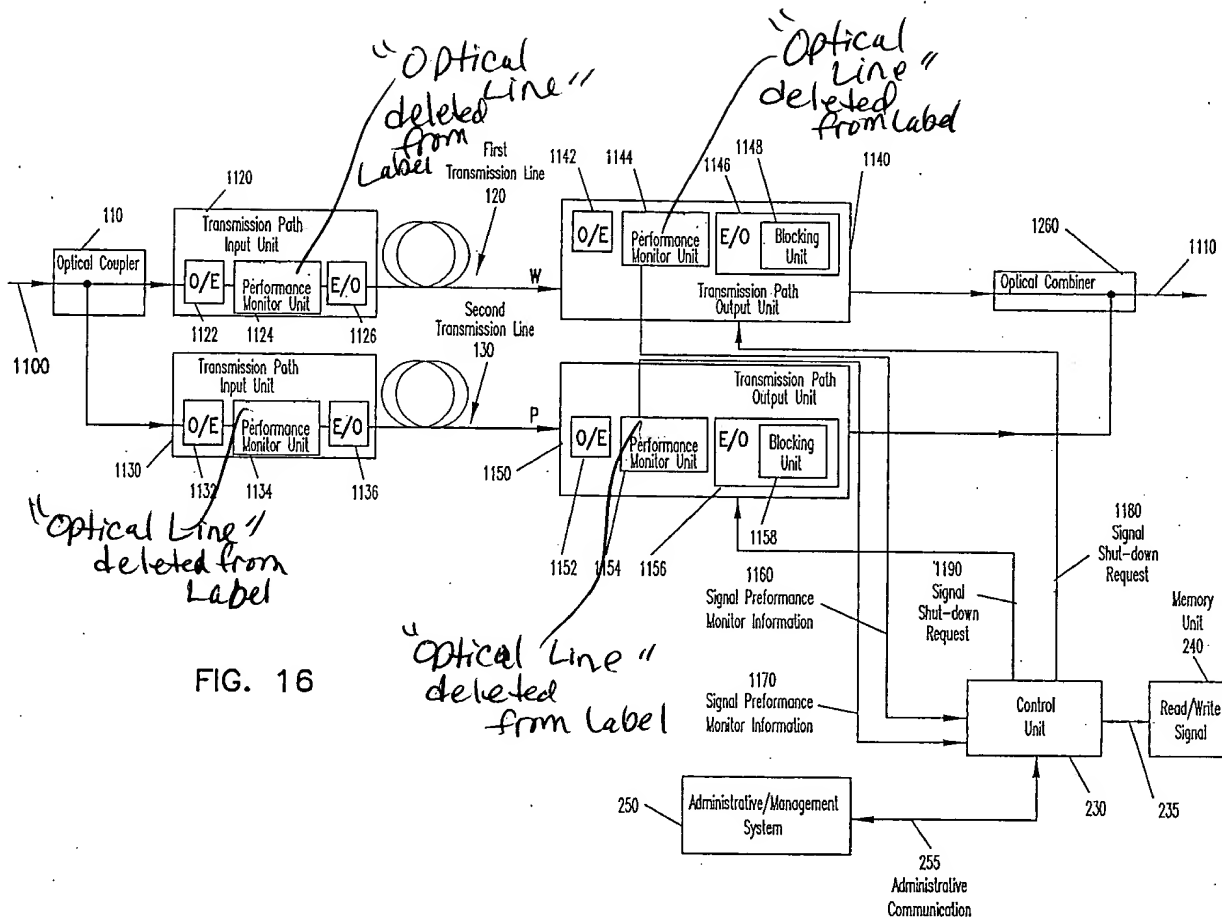


FIG. 16